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Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4369-S4447

Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1717 and 1718, and S. Res. 253.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. 1718, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1997 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and for the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System. (S. Rept. No. 104–258)

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Measures Passed:

Omnibus Appropriations—Corrections: Senate passed S.J. Res. 53, making corrections to Public Law 104–134. Pages \$4388–90

Extradition of Mohammed Abbas: By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 93), Senate agreed S. Res. 253, urging the detention and extradition to the United States by the appropriate foreign government of Mohammed Abbas for the murder of Leon Klinghoffer.

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Private Relief: Senate passed S. 966, for the relief of Nathan C. Vance. Page S4445

American Foreign Service Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 217, to designate the first Friday in May 1996, as "American Foreign Service Day" in recognition of the men and women who have served or are presently serving in the American Foreign Service, and to honor those in the American Foreign Service who have given their lives in the line of duty.

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Illegal Immigration Reform: Senate continued consideration of S. 1664, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to increase control over immigration to the United States by increasing border patrol and investigative personnel and detention facilities, improving the system used by employers to verify citizenship or work-authorized alien status, increasing penalties for alien smuggling and document fraud, and reforming asylum, exclusion, and deportation law and procedures; and to reduce the use of welfare

by aliens, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: Pages S4377–88, S4390–99, S4401–18 Adopted:

Simpson Amendment No. 3871 (to Amendment No. 3743), of a technical nature.

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Subsequently, the amendment was modified.

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By 62 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 91), Graham Amendment No. 3760 (to Amendment No. 3743), to condition the repeal of the Cuban Adjustment Act on a democratically elected government in Cuba being in power.

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Simpson Amendment No. 3855 (to Amendment No. 3743), to phase in over six years the requirements for improved driver's licenses and State-issued I.D. documents.

Pages \$4388, \$4390-93, \$4405-07

Simpson Amendment No. 3857 (to Amendment No. 3743), to require consultation with other agencies in establishing grants to States to encourage development of birth and death records.

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Simpson Amendment No. 3858 (to Amendment No. 3743), to provide that birth certificate regulations will go into effect two years after a report to Congress.

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Simpson Amendment No. 3859 (to Amendment No. 3743), relating to the issuance of a social security account number. Pages \$4388, \$4390–93, \$4405–07

Simpson Amendment No. 3860 (to Amendment No. 3743), to revise the definition of birth certificate.

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Simpson Amendment No. 3861 (to Amendment No. 3743), to require a report to Congress on ways to reduce fraudulent use of birth certificates.

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Simpson Amendment No. 3862 (to Amendment No. 3743), to establish limitations on the acceptance of birth certificates. Pages S4388, S4390–93, S4405–07

Kennedy Modified Amendment No. 3829 (to Amendment No. 3743), to allocate a number of investigators to investigate complaints relating to labor certifications. Pages \$4393, \$4407–08, \$4415, \$4417

Rejected:

By 36 yeas to 63 nays (Vote No. 92), Graham/ Specter Amendment No. 3803 (to Amendment No. 3743), to clarify and enumerate specific public assistance programs with respect to which the deeming provisions apply.

Pages S4377, S4398

By 46 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 94), Kennedy Amendment No. 3820 (to Amendment No. 3743), to provide exceptions to the sponsor deeming requirements for legal immigrants for programs for which illegal aliens are eligible, and Kennedy Amendment No. 3823 (to Amendment No. 3743), to provide exceptions to the definition of public charge for legal immigrants when public health is at stake, for school lunches, and for child nutrition programs.

Pages S4384, S4401-04

By 47 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 95), Kennedy Amendment No. 3822 (to Amendment No. 3743), to exempt children, veterans, and pregnant mothers from the sponsor deeming requirements under the Medicaid program.

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By 32 yeas to 67 nays (Vote No. 96), Kennedy Amendment No. 3816 (to Amendment No. 3743), to enable employers to determine work eligibility of prospective employees without fear of being sued.

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By 36 yeas to 63 nays (Vote No. 97), Simon Amendment No. 3809 (to Amendment No. 3743), to adjust the definition of public charge.

Pages S4396, S4408-10, S4416-17

By 42 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 98), Feinstein/Simon Amendment No. 3776 (to Amendment No. 3743), to strike the provision relating to the language of deportation notice.

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Pending:

Dole (for Simpson) Amendment No. 3743, of a perfecting nature. Page S4377

Simpson Amendment No. 3853 (to Amendment No. 3743), relating to pilot projects on systems to verify eligibility for employment in the United States and to verify immigration status for purposes of eligibility for public assistance or certain other government benefits.

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Simpson Amendment No. 3854 (to Amendment No. 3743), to define "regional project" to mean a project conducted in an area which includes more than a single locality but which is smaller than an entire State.

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Simon Amendment No. 3810 (to Amendment No. 3743), to exempt from deeming requirements immigrants who are disabled after entering the United States.

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Feinstein/Boxer Amendment No. 3777 (to Amendment No. 3743, to provide funds for the construction and expansion of physical barriers and improvements to roads in the border area near San Diego, California.

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Reid Amendment No. 3865 (to Amendment No. 3743), to authorize asylum or refugee status, or the

withholding of deportation, for individuals who have been threatened with an act of female genital mutilation.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of certain further amendments to be proposed to Amendment No. 3743, listed above.

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Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Wednesday, May 1, 1996, with a cloture vote scheduled to occur thereon.

Chemical Weapons Convention: Pursuant to the consent agreement of December 7, 1995, Committee on Foreign Relations reported the resolution of ratification with respect to the Chemical Weapons Convention (Treaty Doc. 103–21), with 7 conditions and 11 declarations.

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Record Votes: Eight record votes were taken today. (Total—98) Pages \$4397-98, \$4398, \$4399-\$4400, \$4416, \$4417, \$4417-18

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 9:32 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, May 1, 1996. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S4445–47.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Agriculture, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Karl N. Stauber, Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics, Floyd P. Horn, Administrator, Agricultural Research Service, Robert H. Robinson, Administrator, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, Susan Offutt, Administrator, Economic Research Service, Donald Bay, Administrator, National Agricultural